# News and Gossip of Interest to the Boy Scouts of the District and Vicini

### TROOP 43'S SCRIBE DESCRIBES "HIKE"

Stiff Climb and Other Difficulties Made Trip Memorable to Those Who Went.

> By NORMAN KALETSKI, Acting Scribe of Troop 43.

Troop 43 has participated in a number of excellent "hikes" under the direction o. Scoutmaster Filkins, and the boys are proud of our records in thes tramps. Many of the members are ex pert in taking care of themselves on these long trapips, one of which ex reeded twenty miles.

This particular "hike" will be long emembered by the boys of the troop for its interest, and the number of things we did and saw. We left our beadquarters, Epiphany Chapel, Twelfin and C streets northeast, at 5 o'clock the morning and set out toward Georgetown with complete equipment and in what one might call heavy marching order.

We went down along the canal, pay ing especial attention to the birds we saw. As each member of the party discovered some new bird he jotted down its name in our note books, with a description of the plumage, the sort of ground it was found in, its habits as we observed them, and the like. All of these matters we intended to discuss later in connection with our study

Compelled To Wade Creek.

On reaching the Chain Bridge we climbed the steep embankment there and stepped out on to the bridge. Once on the other side of the river we walked along a footpath to a creek, where there appeared to be no bridge, and we were compelled to wade. During this part of the "hike" we found excellent opportunity for "tracking." and carried on this feature of Boy Scout work for

This is great fun, many of the scouts think, and it is interesting to try to pick out the different sorts of tracks one finds along brooks or roads. Often there are horses' or dogs' tracks, which are easy to distinguish, but many times

A good place to camp was found not far from this creek, and we remained there for about four hours. Our return trip was made over a way that appeared to be shorter than the track poing out, but which proved to be much harder.

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really dangerous as a misstep would have sent one sprawling into the river some distance below. The three reached the top at last, but not until their hands were bleeding with cuts from the rocks and even their faces from the briars and even their faces from the briars and the like, through which they had to climb.

In supplying our needs, and is useful in supplying our needs, and is useful in adding to the pleasure of life; but the most important conservation is that in which the Boy Scouts of America are engaged.

No. 4 has succeeded in capturing the camp banner for cleanliness and neather than the like is that is useful.

after a short rest, started for home, pretty well tired out. Scout Master Filkins gave us an opportunity to take a good swim in a pond on the way home. This refreshed us greatly and we went on our way with renewed spirits. We reached home early in the evening, well satisfied with the day's outing, having been out more than twelve hours and covered a long distance.

| Appel. Meiton Probey, Louis Brown, John McLoughlin, Paul Seltzer, and W. J. E. Brown.

| Patrol Leader Daniel Eggleston has completed the requirements for completed the requirements.

# Scout Camp Master

August 10, but he has decided to re-main here for a few weeks longer un-til the camping season at Camp Butt This is satisfactory to the local council and the boys, as Mr. Wood was the organizer of the camp, and

# Kodak Squad Formed

The latest thing in Boy Scout activity here is the formation of a Campbell, Alden Himmler, William "kodak squad," by members of Troop 49. The names of the boys are kept a secret for the present, as they wish to have something to show for their work before announcing their organization. There are six of them, all armed with kodaks and all wishing doors activity. to obtain merit badges for photog-

Already there has been a good deal of activity in photograph taking, but Scout Master Taylor says that the only results thus far have been to increase the sale of kodak films. The boys are showing great improvement, however, and Mr. Taylor says that by fall he expects to have a squad that will be as well known as his already famous "bicycle" patrol.

# Health Examinations for

Minor News Notes of Boy Scouts Gathered For Summer Camp

The last week has broken all records for enrollment at camp, there being sixty scouts in camp besides the officers. In order to accommodate the additional numbers, several boys had to be quartered on the floor of the hospital tent.

Merit badge examinations have been given during the past week in first aid, camping, athletics, pioneering, swimming, and han-

The Boy Scout has been out of commission during the last of the past week through being equipped with a new and larger propeller. The boat will be put into the water again ready for service on Monday.

Scout Master J. V. Hyde, who has occupied the position of assistant camp director for the past three weeks, has been called back to Washington to carry on some special work in connection with the Boy Scout activity in the local council.

#### Boy Scouts Notes

A new troop of Boy Scouts for Hyattsville is under organization under the direction of H. W. Dorsey, chief clerk of the Smithsonian Institution. The number of the troop and details of decided upon. It will be the fifty-third

The Boy Scouts at Camp Archibald about roads.. Often Butt are showing a good deal of ingenuity in constructing different articles from sharks' teeth, which they pick up requires a good deal of examination make out the marks which indicate along the shore. Some of the specimens are unusually handsome, and the novelare unusually handsome, and the novel-

ing their stay there, and two of the most ing their stay there, and two of the most adept are Frank White, of Troop 37, and the bloodroot, the fringed gentian, the curned to the foot of the hill. These members of the party reached the bridge by making a detour around the hill and coming to the approach by a roundabout way.

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"We want all these beautiful things in this world, and need them. We want oundabout way.

The last portion of the climb was swimmer in camp, and is among the cally dangerous as a misster would first in all other athletic contests.

The troop gathered on the bridge and ness, and is declared the winner for the

completed the requirements for camp medal at the summer camp, Camp Archibald Butt. He is the first Scout to pass these requirements. During the Stays Until September to pass these requirements. During the past three weeks, during which he has been in camp, he has not received a single demerit. When trying to make a fire without matches, he worked every an appearance at every tent early in This is the announcement made today.

burg public schools as athletic instructor. edge of cooking the boys are gaining His work at Lynchburg was to begin from S. L. Perty, the cook, who, with was the organizer of the camp, and also taught the cullnary art to the Inhis leaving at about this time would require the breaking in of a new man for only a short time.

He is especially adept at camp cooking. and is willing to teach the scouts all he

Members of Boy Scout Troop, No. 16. By Boy Scout Members who were at Camp Archibald Butt came back to the city last Monday, when the new delegation went down. The party included six second-class scouts-Paul Himmler, Irving Keiny, Carrol Mc Nulty, and Raymond Brookmire, The boys report having had a fine time. There was pienty of hard work,

> ganize a new Boy Scout Troop to be known as Troop No. 52 or 53. It is the intention to provide for the boys living in the northwest section of the city just east of Fourteenth street and north of K street. Preliminary to organiza-tion hoys living in that section and not members of a permanent troop are re-quested to send their names to the scout editor of The Times if they wish to become members of the new troop, Membership will be limited to twenty-

Boy Scouts Tomorrow

Three boys of Troop 49 are keeping a week-end camp at Washington Grove this week. The party includes Hayes Jack, bugler of the troop; Charles Compared public health for Boy Scouts will be conducted at Camp Archibald Butt tomorrow by Dr. A. L. Murray, of the Board of Health of the District. Examinations will include the requirements for second and first class scouts, as well as for merit badge tests in these affects of the troop; Charles Connected to return tomorrow working the time. The Panama canal by Dr. Leonard, medical director of the local council. They will be ment attached to the camp. The boys went out Friday in heavy marching order, with complete equipments, and made their camp. The site is excellent, the camp is well placed, tents properly ditched, camp fire conveniently set, and the sanitary arrangements for second and first class scouts, as well as for merit badge tests in these ilngs. A laurge number of boys are planning to take the tests.

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### DAN BEARD GIVES ADVICE TO SCOUTS

Don't Be Ashamed to Kill Animals If You Are Hungry, Is His Declaration.

Dan Beard, well known to every Boy Scout, in writing to the Boy Scouts of Philadelphia in connection with the third annual encampment of the Philadelphia troops, gives some excellent advice to Boy Scouts

"A Boy Scout is never wishy-washy." he writes. "He never slops over. He is normal, healthy, honorable, straightforward and honest. He loves all nature and natural things because it is right and normal for him to do so, but he not what is known as a "zoophile"that is, he does not love a dog, a cat, a woodchuck or a cow more than he does a human being. He looks at things squarely and does not lose the proper

There are a lot of weak-minded human being who spend their money and their time and their sympathy on sick cats and mangy dogs. They look at these things so closely that the big problems of life are dwarfed in com-parison to the miseries of the poor, wretched animals.

Like Animals.

"Now fellow Scouts, remember that the man who is talking to you this way has been a lover of animals all his life; but he loved them as animals, and not as bables and children.

"Never he cruel to anything, but do not think it cruel to kill a chicken when you need one for dinner. It is no more cruel for you to kill it in a proper manner that it is for you to hire some one else to do it for you. As long as civilized beings eat meat. just so long will it be necessary for us to kill animals; and the more domestic animals there are killed for the market the more domestic animals will the complete organization have not yet been decided upon. It will be the fifty-third troop to be started here.

the more domestic animals will be more domestic animals will be derived to supply their places.

"But every wild animal killed, be it bird, mammal, or fish, just makes one wild animal less in the world. Consequently Boy Scouts are very chary about unnecessary killing of wild creatures. Our dear mammas and our dear sisters and our dear sweethearts have wiped out of existence many or our beautiful birds simply because they wanted to wear their badly upholstere

remains as gristly and gruesome orna ments on their hats and heads.

For Conservation. "But Boy Scouts stand for conservation and the saving of our wild life. Boy Scouts Paul Campbell and Thom- our forests and our plants. They hesias Cullen, patrol leaders of Troop 16, tate even to gather any quantity of but the boys appeared to enjoy scrambling over rocks or climbing up and
down steep places. We came to the
river about 200 feet below the Chain
Bridge, but with a high bluff between
us and the approach.

wild flowers, because they know every
wild flowers, because they know every
wild flower gathered is so many seeds
less for the next crop. This is not
foolish and wishy-washy sentimentality.
"It is simply common sense; because
they recognize the fact that there are
now so many, many thousands of peo-Bridge, but with a high bluff between us and the approach.

Climbing Abilities Tested.

This part of our hike proved a test of the climbing ability of members of our troop. In some places, climbing was so difficult that we were compelled to make holes in the ground in which to put our feet. Up we went, higher and higher, until about half-way to the top. By this time, the hill became the secont make the second m

in this world, and need them; we want

produced in this country, and the one that has been neglected the most. "Good luck to you all. Good luck to your council; good luck to your troops; good luck to your patrols, and health and happiness to every one of you. Boy Scouts."

#### "Dad" Carpenter and His Paddle Unpopular

### Strict Discipline Is

coming week.

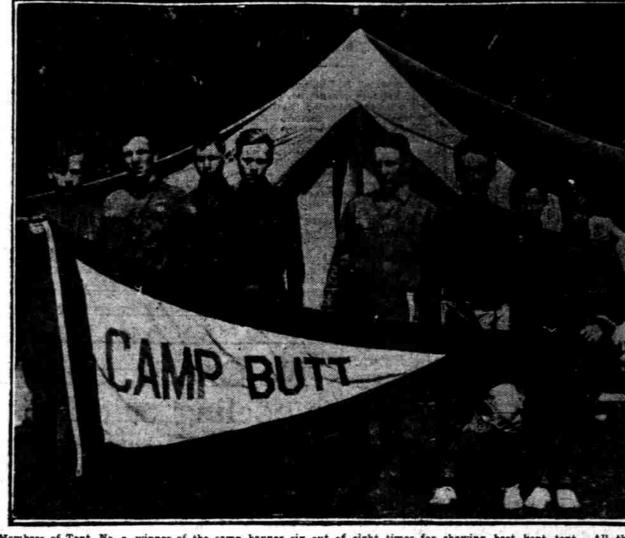
coming week.

During the past week officers of the camp have been as follows: Frank C. nection with merit tests. Conferences Wood, commanding officer: Scoutmaster will be held with Government officials, Wood, commanding officer; Scoutmaster with the bear with Government officials, T. R. Pirtle, officer of the day; Scout officials of Boys' clubs, Y. M. C. A. Arnell Carpenter, chief sanitary officer; organizations, and the like and Scout Chester Guy, chief of the dining hall; Howard Derrick, commissary of Steps will also be taken to organize the manual of the commission of the steps will also be taken to organize the commission of the commis

# More Scouts Will Leave

Fifteen Boy Scouts will go to Camp Archibald Butt tomorrow morning for however, for the boys to have a vacaan outing, taking the place of an equal tion and boy scout work will not oc-

#### One of Prize Tent Teams At Camp Archibald Butt



Members of Tent No. 7, winner of the camp banner six out of eight times for showing best kept tent. All the boys are members of Troop 21. The banner is white with red border and with blue letters, the national

The boys are (left to right)-Louis Gosorn, Clinton Allord, Robert Cruit, Lleyd Gosorn, Kenneth Harries, Denslow Eggleston, Philip McKenney, and Howard Gateley.

#### Complete Calendar Of This Week's Events At Boy Scouts' Camp

Monday-Receiving new boys, physical examinations, assignment of quarters, camp-fire council.

Tuesday-Instruction for first and second class examinations, merit badge examinations, officers' council. Wednesday-Athletic contests, sec-

ond class examinations, camp-Thursday-Athletic contests, merit badge examinations, first

class examinations. Friday-Merit badge trials, fire making practice, instruction. turday-Visitors' day

### PANAMA AND CUBA PLANNED FOR SCOUTS

Expedition Will Have as Its Object Instruction in Ideals of Movement.

What promises to be the biggest affair in connection with Eo; Scouts ever carried out in this country is now being arranged by Scout Commissioner Campmaster Frank C. Wood wil remain in charge of Camp Archibaid Butt until September I. This announcement for two days before he spare moment for two days before he succeeded. Since then he has become expert in this sort of scout work.

By no means the smallest advantage at every tent early in the morning almost simultaneous with the morning almost simultaneous with the morning almost simultaneous with the sounding of "Reveille." "Dad" is equipped with a huge "paddle." an appearance at every tent early in this is the announcement made today from Scout headquarters here. Details of the plan are not yet fully worked out, but tentucing the number of commissions issued in June, 1912, was: Scoutmasters, 312; assout the succeeded. Since then he has become equipped with a huge "paddle." an appearance at every tent early in the morning almost simultaneous with the sounding of "Reveille." "Dad" is equipped with a huge "paddle." an ination of the plan are not yet fully worked out, but tentucively they are as follows:

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Rule at Camp Butt movement in the Panama district and in Cuba. The trip must have the sanction of the national council, but whether or not there will be boys from any Strict discipline is maintained at Camp Archibald Butt, and officers are appointed for all sorts of details just as they would be in a military camp. A system of promotions is in vogue, so that the scouts who have been work—their merit in the organization.

The boys are James Eggleston, Rob-part Chisholm, Norris Gaddess, Lloyd determined. During the trip the boys will give demonstrations of all kinds. The boys are James Eggleston, Rob-part Chisholm, Norris Gaddess, Lloyd determined. Buring the trip the boys are James Eggleston, Rob-part Chisholm, Norris Gaddess, Lloyd determined. Buring the trip the boys are James Eggleston, Rob-part Chisholm, Norris Gaddess, Lloyd determined. Buring the trip the boys are James Eggleston, Rob-part Chisholm, Norris Gaddess, Lloyd Harrison. Howard Derrick, George Sheriff. Scout Master T. R. Pirtle also took advantage of the examinations that the scouts who have been work—their merit in the organization. The demonstrations will include the control of ing as camp leaders during the past week will serve as assistants during the ing, demonstrations of first aid of all

sorts, besides many of the new Boy Scout councils in many dif-ferent localities. Will Be Vacation, Too.

It is pointed out that, in most of the For Summer Camp is had of what Boy Scouts stand for object of the expedition.

There will be ample opportunity,

### KEEN RIVALRY OVER CONDITION OF TENTS

Lads at Boy Scout Camp Are Engaged in Friendly Rivalry for Banner.

There has been great rivalry among the different tents at Camp Archibald Butt, the Boy Scout summer camp below Chesapeake Beach, and the boys have been especially keen in keeping well equipped tents, with everything clean about the place.

The competition between Tent No. 7. containing boys from Troop 21, of Taboys from Troop 16, has been especialfy keen. In nearly three weeks during which the camp has been open Tent No. held the championship banner six times out of eight days, and Tent No. 2 held the banner six times in succes-

sion.

Both of these records excel the record for the same sort of thing last year in summer camp, the record then being five successive days.

## SIX SCOUTS PASS "FIRST AID" TESTS

Examination Conducted by Medical Director Leonard at Camp Archibald Butt.

By no means the smallest advantage of Camp Archibald Butt is the knowledge of cooking the boys are gaining from S. L. Perry, the cook, who, with help of the kitchen detail, prepares the meals for the boys. Perry was storagion or other aid merit badge tests for Boy Scouts. Many of the boys complain that in the island and in Panama and reach was unnecessarily storage are all the spread at Camp Archibald Butt is the knowl. As combinations were given by Medical Director Leonard at Camp Archibald Butt as Monday on his visit to the situations were given by Medical Director Leonard at Camp Archibald Butt as Monday on his visit to the showing for 1913 indicates a strong and our intention to have a troop camp, but had been our intention to have a troop camp, but had been our intention to have a troop camp, but had been our intention of the perry was did numbering twenty-four boys, besides scoutmaster and patrol leaders.

Educational Trip.

The object of the expedition is to spread the knowledge of the boy scout movement in the Panama district and the specific of the specific considered difficult, the requirements offered by the Red Cross Society being the real test of litness for the merit badge, it is declared.

The boys passed with high marks, it is said, several of them being practically "perfect" in the test. More-

The boys are James Eggleston, Rob

# Suggestions Are Given

mulated by the Buffalo headquarters have been recommended to the attention of Scout Masters here for their value in dealing with many Boy Scout problems. The suggestions are:

1. Every meeting or hike should have the story of the suggestion of the story of the stor

#### First Class Scout Makes Fires From Native Tree Woods The first Boy Scout in summer

camp to succeed in making fire without matches is Otis Biggs, first class scout, of Troop 37. Biggs is also the first scout in Washington to make fire without matches and with equipment constructed from natural materials found in the woods. Fire-making has been almost a feature of the Boy Scout work at camp during the past week and a number of boys have

learned to make fire without matches. Fire boards have been hewed from the hearts of a large dead cedar tree found

### FIGURES SHOW BIG MTEREST IN SCOUTS month. The boys do not want to go without Mr. Filkins, our Scout Master, and he can not get away until that

Many Officials Added in Past Year to Direct New Local Councils.

added during the month of June, just on in the Boy Scout troops here and past, and the number added during the month of June last year. month of June last year, in different ways.

sponding six months of 1913 the show-Scoutmasters, 2.7.6; assistant

cities.
Yougstown, Ohio; Lordsburg, Cal.;
Nevada, Iowa; Kendallville, Ind.;
Montclair, N. J.; Kenwood and Sherggestions Are Given
To Aid Scout Masters

Mill, N. Y.; Schoolfield, Va.; Riverside, Cal.; Augusta, Kan.; Harvard, Ill.; Minneapolis, Minn.; (revised); Dell Rapids, S. D.; Sheridan, Wyo.; Commerce, Ga.; Dallag, S. D.; Gifford, Ill.; North Vernon, Ind.

#### Ten suggestions to Scout Masters for carrying on Boy Scout work as for-Latest Scout Official

localities to be visited, little knowledge is had of what Boy Scouts stand for and to explain this to the people is one they should be opened and closed on part of one of the scouts. Ben Landey.

### BOY SCOUT CAMP, HAS "S. R. O." SIGN

Only Standing Room Left for Members of Body, Twenty Lads Eager to Join in the Frolics of Comrades.

Camp Archibald Butt is "full up" with Boy Scouts, according to officials of the local council, there being nearly sixty were more than fifty boys in camp dur-ing the week before, and less than half of them returned to the city when the new delegation went down last Monday. As thirty-two new boys joined the campers on that day, the accommoda-tions were taxed to supply sleeping and eating places.

next month.

From the standpoint of numbers the camp is the most successful ever run. The boys do not mind crowded quarters, apparently. They are all disposed to take everything easily, to put up with whatever comes, and put a good face on

whatever comes, and put a good face on everything.

Those who went to camp last Monday, most of whom will probably remain over this week, include Theodore Forbes, B. M. Rawlings, Cuno Nilsson, James M. Proley, Basil C. Bowie, Martin H. Wright, Mark M. Shoemaker, J. Alvin Biggs, W. Otis Biggs, Rowland E. Simons, Clarence Thorson, Karl Hurdle, R. James Rice, Paul C. Robbin, Louis Brown, William H. Montgomery, J. Hartley Potts, Rudolph Paldauf, Leroy Harris, William Giddings, Ben Brockman, Carl Rossbach, Jr., Charles Rose, Melvin Medkiff, Warren Lorring, Arthur Quinn, Leon Robbin, Hubert E. Chappell, William J. Brown, James D. Grant, Philip S. Barton, and William Seldon.

Strong, Are Planning to 47. tend Boy Scout Camp.

Members of Troop & continue activity in spite of the fact that many of the scouts have gone away during the ho interest in many lines of scout work according to Scoutmaster Pilkins and his assistants. There are ordinarily ninety-six boys in the troop. At the

boys appeared.
Signaling, games, and the like occupled the boys for about two hours Assistant Scoutmaster George M. Manley was in charge at the last meet kins. A new game was tried in which the boys shot darts at a target, the different points scored indicating the Many of the boys showed considerable

ability in scoring points.

More than a score of members of Troop 43 have arranged to go to camp during the last two weeks of August and it is expected the boys will show a good deal of improvement on their return. Many tenderfoot scouts are pre paring to take second-class examina tions, and second-class scouts are expecting to take first-class examinations.

Although so late in the season, it is pointed out that there will be many advantages for the boys who go to camp at that time, since matters will be better settled and there will be better settled and there will be better settled.

#### BOY SCOUT LETTERS

To the Scout Editor: Members of Troop 51 are making splendid progress for a recently organized troop, we think, and by early fall expect to present a strong combination in comparison with other troops in the city. Our troop was organized July 11, and contains only eight boys, yet by September, we shall be prepared to pass second class examinations and expect to have some

aminations and expect to have some well-equipped scouts of that rank. If we could have eight second-class scouts within two months of organizing, it would be about as fine a showing as could be made, we think.

Scout Master Marsehmeyer is giving us a good deal of out-door work during the summer and we are meeting in Rock Creek Park while it is so warm. us a good deal of out-door work during the summer and we are meeting in Rock Creek Park while it is so warm. Later in the season, we shall meet at the homes of the boys. We are planning to do as much of the outdoor work now as we can so that we shall be prepared to practice the indoor work in the season when it is pleasanter inside and the weather is not so pleasant. Members of the troop have already had several week-end camps, in one instance having stayed outdoors all day, and expect to have others.

Very truly yours,

Very truly yours, Scribe, Troop 51.

To the Scout Editor: Troop 43 is pretty active now considering that a good many boys are out of the city. We are planning to go to summer camp the last of next month. The boys do not want to go

and he can not get away until that time.

We are all greatly pleased with The Times, and the accounts which have appeared of Troop 43, not to mention the pictures. Last Sunday some of the boys were greatly pleased to see their pictures in print. There are only a few of us left now to attend the weekly meeting. When in full force, our troop is larger than any except the Y. M. C. A. troop, and I believe we have been larger than that troop. At our last meeting there were only about twenty boys present, but this number will increase as soon as the not weather passes and the rest of the Scouts get back to camp.

We all look forward to the Sunday Times because we find what is going added during the month of June just the Boy Scout troops here and the fall. During the month of Auguster were only about twenty boys present, but this number will increase as soon as the hot weather passes and the rest of the Scouts get back to camp.

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ers, 25; local councils, S. As com-pared with these numbers for last year, bald Butt, near Chesapeake Beach, the showing for 1812 indicates a treatment of the boys are all young, ranging it masters, 18; commissioners, 41; local councils, 17.

For the first six months of the year, from January 1 to July 1, the increase is even more pronounced, the showing being for 1912: Scoutmasters added, 1,399; assistant scoutmasters, 553; Commissioners, 118; councils, 196. For the corresponding six months of 1913 the show being the conditions at the big summer camp. The list of those who are to go has not yet been made up, but, as many boys of our troop are out of the city for the summer, there will probably not provided the conditions of 1913 the show being the conditions as the boys of our troop are out of the city for the summer, there will probably not provided the conditions are the difficulty of getting a small camp into working order for a short time seems a heavy undertaking, in view of the case with which the boys will break into conditions at the big summer camp. The list of those who are to go has be more than ten or a dozen boys to go.

Some of our troop have a week-end
camp at Washington Grove, and are

among the party.
Six boys have formed a kodak squad
and are working hard to become expert
enough to obtain merit badges in photography. Just now the boys are practicing and do not expect to take up their merit test work until they are more proficient in ordinary photography. we get some good pictures, we want to have some of them in The Times. Very truly yours, SCRIBE, Troop 49.

To the Scout Editor: Troop 16 is not very active just now, many of the boys being at summer amp or planning to go there, and Scout Master Partin, also, being occu-

John and closed or a boy who went to camp only last week and known among his playmates as "lzzy," has been unanimously elected "camp philosopher." and is given special dutes in virtue of the fire real.

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effect that the boys are having the
time of their lives, and that camp philosophers and the like are simply a part
of the fun.

about two and a quarter hours. A meas ured portion of the road, seven-eighth of a mile, we walked in thirteen min utes, without seeming to hurry. We studied the birds and flowers and had an excellent time.

THOMAS CULLEN

Fo the Scout Editor: Boys of Troop 21, from camp just below Chesapeak Seach, report having had the time of their lives. Our boys, who occupies Tent No. 7, came near to being the champions for keeping the tent clear during their stay there, for they held the tent banner six out of eight times There were originally nine boys

val Battallon.

The boys read The Times regularly and many take it on Sunday to get the Sociat news. Our meeting last Friday night was very successful in spite of it being hot weather. There were more than a dozen boys out.

Very truly yours,

HOWARD GATLEY, Acting Scribe. Troop 21.

#### **New Scout Troop Is** Interested in Birds

Troop 51, organized less than a month ago, now has eight members and is progressing rapidly, according to Scout Master Maschmeyer, Meetings are held every two weeks or Friday. A novel scheme is for the aminations, and these will be taken in the fall. During the month of Augus four of the boys are to be out of the city on vacation, but the others are

studying scout work.

A recent "hike" made by boys of this troop included a trip along the tow path to Glen Echo. The party left the city early Sunday morning and spent the day in the woods studying birds and tracking. The boys took

# Work for Autumn

Members of Trop 21 are planning great activity for the early fall, and ) s expected the number of Boy Scouts in the neighborhood of Takoma Parl ouncils, 161.

During last month local Boy Scout Charles Conner, and Harry Walford are added in the following among the party.

At the neighborhood of Takoma Pari will be greatly increased as soon as the season commences, about September 1 among the party. night, there were about twelve boys present, besides Scout Master Harries. Plans for increasing the membership of the troop were discussed at soul-length, two new scouts were admitted to membership, and arrangements were

> Some of the boys are anxious to take firemanship tests, and steps will be taken along this line as soon as a com-'hikes" are under consideration by members of the troop.

made for greater activity along many

